

October 8, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20054

Via Electronic Filing

**Re: WC Docket No. 11-42, Lifeline and Link-Up Reform and Modernization
WC Docket No. 12-375, Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services**

On Tuesday, October 6, and Wednesday, October 7, 2015, the Media Action Grassroots Network (“MAG-Net”) brought a delegation of grassroots and racial justice leaders to the Commission to discuss matters in the above-captioned proceedings.

MAG-Net is a network of more than 175 organizations fighting for media rights, media justice, communications access, and representation for all.

On Tuesday, the delegation met jointly with Commissioner Mignon Clyburn and with members of Commissioner Clyburn’s staff, Chairman Wheeler’s staff, and the Wireline Competition Bureau. Commission attendees at this meeting included Chanelle Hardy, Chief of Staff and Media Legal Advisor for Commissioner Clyburn; Gigi Sohn, Counselor to the Chairman; Stephanie Weiner, Senior Legal Advisor – Wireline to the Chairman; Rebecca Weinstein and Russell Hsiao, also from the Office of the Chairman; and Madeleine Findley, Jodie Griffin, Chas Eberly and Lynne Engledow from the Wireline Competition Bureau.

On Wednesday, members of the delegation met with Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel and her Senior Legal Advisor, Travis Litman. The group also met separately with Amy Bender, Legal Advisor, Wireline to Commissioner Michael O’Rielly.

Members of the MAG-Net delegation that met with Commissioner Clyburn and representatives of Chairman Wheeler’s office included: Ana Montes, The Utility Reform Network; Salma Mirza, Nation Inside; Greg Gaither, Illinois Campaign for Prison Phone Justice; Rudy and Sheila Gallardo of the Policy Voices Network; Carrie Wilkinson, Human Rights Defense Center; Alix Nguetack and Karina Wilkinson, New Jersey Advocates for Immigrant Detainees; Roberta Rael and Jazlin Mendoza, Generation Justice; Danielle Chynoweth, Steven Renderos, and Angella Bellota, Center for Media Justice; Illinois State Representative Carol Ammons; Wisconsin State Senator Lena Taylor; Cheryl Leanza, for the United Church of Christ Office of Communication, Inc.; Brandi Collins and Brittaney Carter, ColorOfChange.org; and Joseph Torres, Free Press.

The delegation members that took part in the Wednesday meetings were Ms. Montes, Ms. Mirza, Mr. Gaither, Mr. Gallardo Ms. Wilkinson, Ms. Wilkinson, Ms. Rael, Ms. Mendoza, Ms. Chynoweth, Ms. Bellota, Mr. Renderos, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Carter.

In all of these meetings, the delegation reiterated the need to rein in the cost of predatory prison phone calls, as well as the urgent need to expand the Lifeline program to include broadband services.

Attached are the delegation information submitted to the Commission meeting attendees, as well as various Lifeline and prison phone fact sheets and materials distributed at these meetings.

The delegation also presented to the Commissioners and staff attending these meetings more than 80,000 petition signatures collected by the Campaign for Prison Phone Justice, ColorOfChange.org, CREDO, Free Press, MAG-Net, Progressive Democrats of America, and United Church of Christ Office of Communication, Inc. calling for prison phone reform. These petition signatures were filed under separate cover.

Respectfully Submitted,

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